

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS**

**Call to Order:** Chair Kelly Flynn, on January 15, 2015 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### **Members Present:**

Rep. Kelly Flynn, Chair (R)  
Rep. Jean Price, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Bob Brown (R)  
Rep. Zach Brown (D)  
Rep. Rob Cook (R)  
Rep. Clayton Fiscus (R)  
Rep. Stephanie Hess (R)  
Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)  
Rep. Ed Lieser (D)  
Rep. G. Bruce Meyers (R)  
Rep. Mark Noland (R)  
Rep. Andrew Person (D)  
Rep. Randall Pinocci (R)  
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)  
Rep. Bridget Smith (D)  
Rep. Kirk Wagoner (R)

##### **Members Excused:**

Rep. Jeffrey W. Welborn, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Virginia Court (D)  
Rep. Kerry White (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Jason Mohr, Legislative Branch  
Jennifer Petersen, Committee Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

##### **Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 146, 1/12/2015; HB 152, 1/12/2015; HB 176, 1/12/2015

00:00:01 Chair Flynn  
00:01:29 *Rep. Court arrives*  
00:02:21 *Vice Chair Welborn arrives*

### **HEARING ON HB 152**

#### **Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:43 Rep. Mike Miller (R), HD 80, opened the hearing on HB 152, Allow senior citizens that have general elk tag to harvest cow elk.

#### **Proponents' Testimony:**

00:03:52 Chair Flynn  
00:04:18 Darrell Harris, Prickly Pear Sportsmen Association  
00:05:50 Chair Flynn

#### **Opponents' Testimony:**

00:06:02 Ken McDonald, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)  
**EXHIBIT(fih09a01)**  
00:11:34 Chair Flynn  
00:11:41 George Golie, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)  
00:14:10 Chair Flynn  
00:14:16 Jake Troyer, Montana Audubon  
00:14:47 Chair Flynn  
00:14:55 Chris Marchion, Anaconda Sportsmen's Club (ASC)  
00:15:15 Chair Flynn

**Informational Testimony:** None

#### **Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:15:44 Rep. Z. Brown  
00:16:18 Rep. Miller  
00:16:29 Chair Flynn

#### **Closing by Sponsor:**

00:16:42 Rep. Miller  
00:17:25 Chair Flynn

### **HEARING ON HB 176**

#### **Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:18:16 Rep. Forrest Mandeville (R), HD 57, opened the hearing on HB 176, Allow cross-bows to be used for hunting during archery season.

#### **Proponents' Testimony:**

00:20:48 Chair Flynn  
00:21:03 Kate Breitbarth, self  
00:21:51 Chair Flynn

00:21:54 Kate Breitbarth, self  
00:23:27 Chair Flynn  
00:23:40 Terri Peterson, self  
[\*\*EXHIBIT\(fih09a02\)\*\*](#)  
00:26:34 Chair Flynn  
00:26:46 Darrell Harris, self  
00:27:18 Chair Flynn  
00:27:38 Dave Wood, self  
00:28:51 Chair Flynn  
00:28:57 *Rep. Jacobson leaves*

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:29:06 Joelle Selk, Montana Bowhunters Association (MBA)

[\*\*EXHIBIT\(fih09a03\)\*\*](#)

00:29:24 *Rep. Jacobson returns*  
00:35:01 Chair Flynn  
00:35:11 Steve Kamps, self  
00:39:23 Chair Flynn  
00:39:35 Jerry Davis, Montana Bowhunters Association (MBA)

[\*\*EXHIBIT\(fih09a04\)\*\*](#)

00:49:43 Chair Flynn  
00:50:07 Darrell Geist, Buffalo Field Campaign  
00:51:55 Chair Flynn  
00:52:01 Marlon Clapham, self

[\*\*EXHIBIT\(fih09a05\)\*\*](#)

00:57:12 Chair Flynn  
00:57:28 Bernard Widhalm, self

[\*\*EXHIBIT\(fih09a06\)\*\*](#)

01:00:04 Chair Flynn  
01:00:32 James (Jimmy) St.Goddard

[\*\*EXHIBIT\(fih09a07\)\*\*](#)

01:01:10 George Golie, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)  
01:01:17 Gail Delp, self  
01:01:27 Merri Clapham, self  
01:01:37 Ken McDonald, FWP

[\*\*EXHIBIT\(fih09a08\)\*\*](#)

01:01:52 Chris Marchion, Anaconda Sportsmen's Club  
01:02:07 Brian Koelzer, self

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:02:37 Rep. B. Brown  
01:03:06 Joelle Selk, MBA  
01:04:25 Rep. Fiscus  
01:05:14 Joelle Selk, MBA  
01:07:15 Rep. Fiscus  
01:07:22 Chair Flynn  
01:07:31 Rep. Fiscus  
01:07:38 Joelle Selk, MBA

01:07:56 Rep. Fiscus  
01:08:10 Chair Flynn  
01:08:13 Rep. Wagoner  
01:08:48 Joelle Selk, MBA  
01:09:04 Rep. Wagoner  
01:09:33 Joelle Selk, MBA  
01:10:16 Rep. Wagoner  
01:10:42 Joelle Selk, MBA  
01:10:54 Chair Flynn  
01:11:01 Rep. Pinocci  
01:11:24 Rep. Mandeville  
01:12:28 Rep. Pinocci  
01:13:04 Rep. Mandeville  
01:13:31 Chair Flynn

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:13:42 Rep. Mandeville  
01:14:36 *Rep. Pinocci leaves*  
01:14:50 Chair Flynn

**HEARING ON HB 146**

01:16:13 Vice Chair Welborn

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:16:37 Rep. Kelly Flynn (R), HD 70, opened the hearing on HB 146, Revise distribution of block management funding.  
01:19:35 *Rep. Pinocci returns*

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:25:59 Vice Chair Welborn  
01:26:25 Ed Grady, self  
**EXHIBIT(fih09a09)**  
01:26:30 *Rep. Shaw leaves*  
01:29:36 Vice Chair Welborn  
01:29:48 Doug Shenkle, self  
01:31:14 Vice Chair Welborn  
01:31:26 Darrell Harris, Prickly Pear Sportsmen Association (PPSA)  
01:33:18 *Rep. Wagoner leaves*  
01:33:36 Vice Chair Welborn  
01:33:44 Jay Bodner, Montana Stock Growers' Association (MSGA)  
01:33:58 *Rep. Meyers leaves*  
01:34:15 *Rep. Jacobson leaves*  
01:35:35 *Rep. Shaw returns*  
01:35:41 *Rep. Cook leaves*  
01:35:55 Vice Chair Welborn  
01:36:01 Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF)  
01:36:45 Chuck Denowh, United Property Owners of Montana (UPOM)

01:38:25 Vice Chair Welborn  
01:38:34 Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association (MOGA)  
01:39:25 *Rep. Cook returns*  
01:39:58 Vice Chair Welborn  
01:40:05 Rep. Staffanson (HD 35)  
01:41:05 Vice Chair Welborn

**Opponents' Testimony:**

01:41:25 George Golie, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)  
01:42:50 Vice Chair Welborn  
01:42:57 Chris Marchion, Anaconda Sportsmen's Club (ASC)  
01:43:11 *Rep. Jacobson returns*  
01:45:04 Vice Chair Welborn  
01:45:10 Jim Kropp, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

**EXHIBIT(fih09a10)**

01:47:18 *Rep. Meyers returns*  
01:47:31 Vice Chair Welborn

**Informational Testimony:** None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:48:02 Rep. Pinocci  
01:48:46 Rep. Flynn  
01:49:13 Rep. Pinocci  
01:49:30 Vice Chair Welborn  
01:49:33 Rep. Z. Brown  
01:50:06 Rep. Flynn  
01:51:25 Rep. Z. Brown  
01:52:05 Rep. Flynn  
01:53:20 Vice Chair Welborn  
01:53:24 Rep. Court  
01:54:00 Rep. Flynn  
01:55:19 Rep. Court  
01:55:41 Rep. Flynn  
01:56:00 Alan Charles, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)  
01:58:37 Rep. B. Brown  
01:59:25 Rep. Flynn  
02:00:21 Rep. Price  
02:01:00 Jim Kropp, FWP  
02:01:55 Vice Chair Welborn  
02:02:00 Rep. Z. Brown  
02:02:04 *Rep. Noland leaves*  
02:02:30 Jim Kropp, FWP  
02:02:40 *Rep. Smith leaves*  
02:03:26 Rep. Z. Brown  
02:03:46 Jim Kropp, FWP  
02:04:13 Vice Chair Welborn

**Closing by Sponsor:**

02:04:23 Rep. Flynn

02:05:21	<i>Rep. Smith returns</i>
02:06:44	<i>Rep. Noland returns</i>
02:07:02	Vice Chair Welborn
02:07:25	Chair Flynn

**ADJOURNMENT**

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02:07:48      adj

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Jennifer Petersen, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([fih09aad.pdf](#))